

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-9, 11-13 and 15-21 are pending. Claims 4 and 9 have been amended.

***Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 101***

The Patent Office rejected claims 4, 6-9, 11, 12, 19 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for failing to be statutory subject matter.

Applicant respectfully traverses. However, claims 4 and 9 have been amended and recite statutory subject matter.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

The Patent Office stated claims 1, 3, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 21 are allowed.

The Patent Office further stated claims 4, 6-9, 11, 12, 19 and 20 would be allowable if amended the 35 U.S.C. 101 rejection is overcome.

Applicant thanks the Patent Office for the indication of allowed claims of 1, 3, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 21 and allowable subject matter of claims 4, 6-9, 11, 12, 19 and 20.

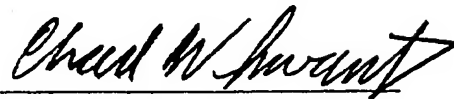
CONCLUSION

In light of the forgoing amendments, reconsideration of the claims is hereby requested, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

LSI Logic, Inc.

Dated: May 23, 2006



Attorney for Applicant  
Chad W. Swantz  
Reg. No. 46,329

Chad W. Swantz  
Suiter West pc llo  
14301 FNB Parkway, Suite 220  
Omaha, Nebraska 68154  
Telephone 402.496.0300  
Facsimile 402.496.0333